

# Supplementary Information

## Structure of a DNA G-quadruplex related to osteoporosis with a G-A bulge forming a *pseudo-loop*

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**Table S1.** List of modified RAN1\* constructs used in this study.

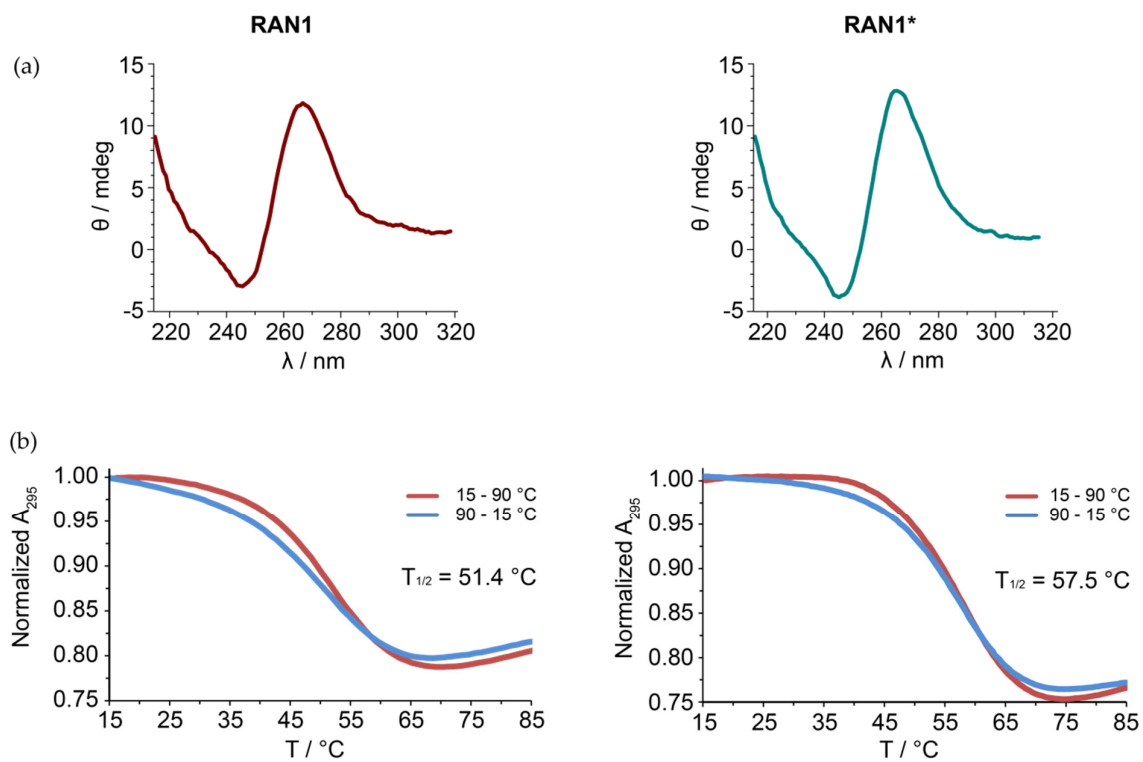
Name of the Construct	Sequence (5' → 3')	Length of the Construct (nt)
G14T	TGGGAGGGAGCGGTAGTGGG	20
A15T	TGGGAGGGAGCGGTTGTGGG	20
G14TA15T	TGGGAGGGAGCGGTTGTGGG	20
ΔG14	TGGGAGGGAGCGG-AGTGGG	19
ΔA15	TGGGAGGGAGCGGG-GTGGG	19
ΔG14A15	TGGGAGGGAGCGG--GTGGG	18
G14A15 <i>ins</i> T	TGGGAGGGAGCGGTTAGTGGG	21

**Table S2.** Change in groove dimensions (Å) of RAN1\* at the site of G16 in *syn* glycosidic conformation.

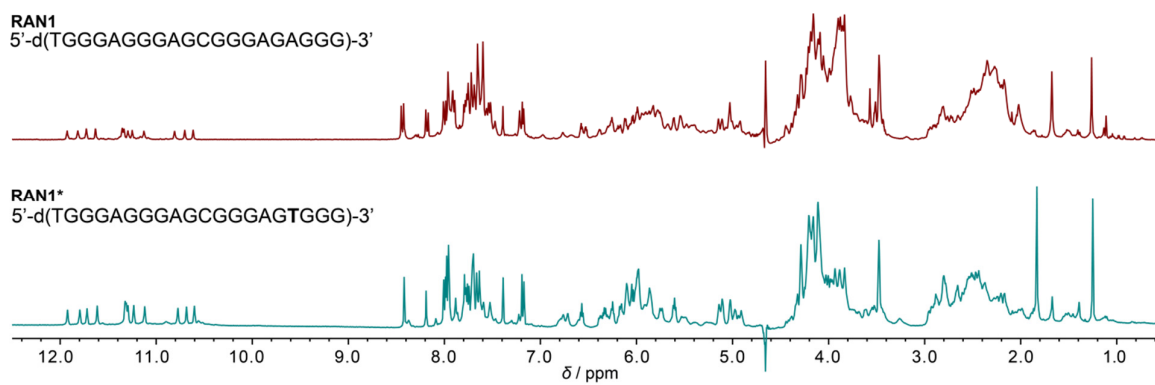
Groove Number	Defined by	Groove Type	Groove Dimension (Å)*	Average Groove Dimension (Å)**	Change in Groove Width (Å)
1	G2-G6	<i>m</i>	14.8	16.2	
	G3-G7	<i>m</i>	17.5		
	G4-G8	<i>m</i>	16.3		
2	G6-G12	<i>m</i>	17.3	17.3	
	G7-G13	<i>m</i>	17.3		
	G8-G16	<i>w</i>	19.4		
3	G12-G18	<i>m</i>	14.7	15.9	
	G13-G19	<i>m</i>	17.1		
	G16-G20	<i>n</i>	9.3		
4	G18-G2	<i>m</i>	15.1	16.0	
	G19-G3	<i>m</i>	16.8		
	G20-G4	<i>m</i>	16.1		

\*Groove dimension corresponds to a P-P distance between pairs of guanines from different G-quartets that define the individual groove (Figure S7). Distances were measured in UCSF Chimera Software (Pettersen *et al.*, *J. Comput. Chem.* **2004**, 25 (13), 1605-1612).

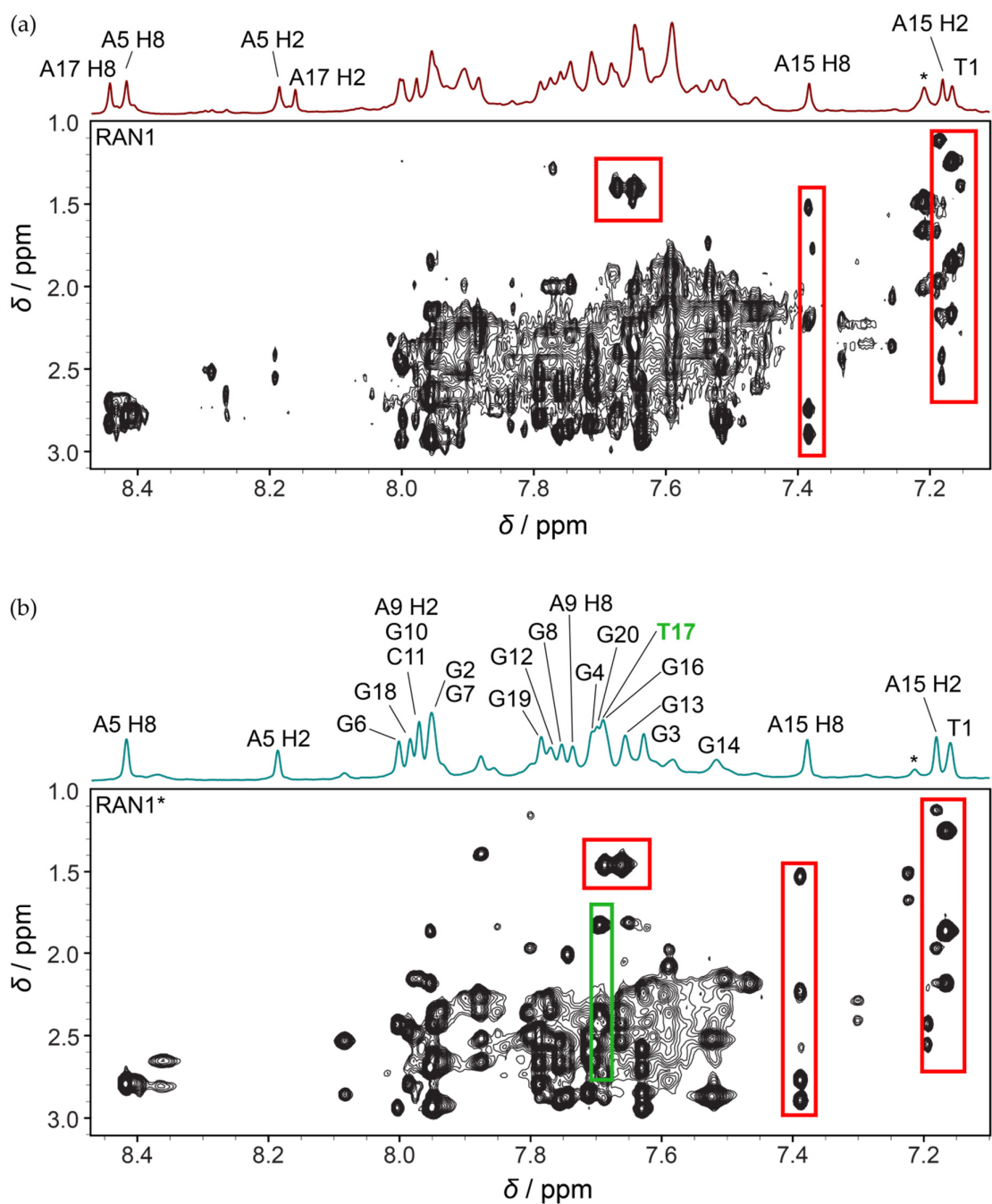
\*\*Groove dimension was averaged over the same groove type only.



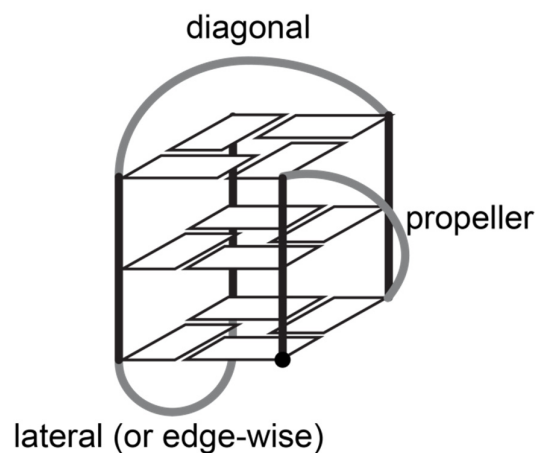
**Figure S1.** (a) CD spectra and (b) UV melting temperature experiments of RAN1 and RAN1\* constructs.



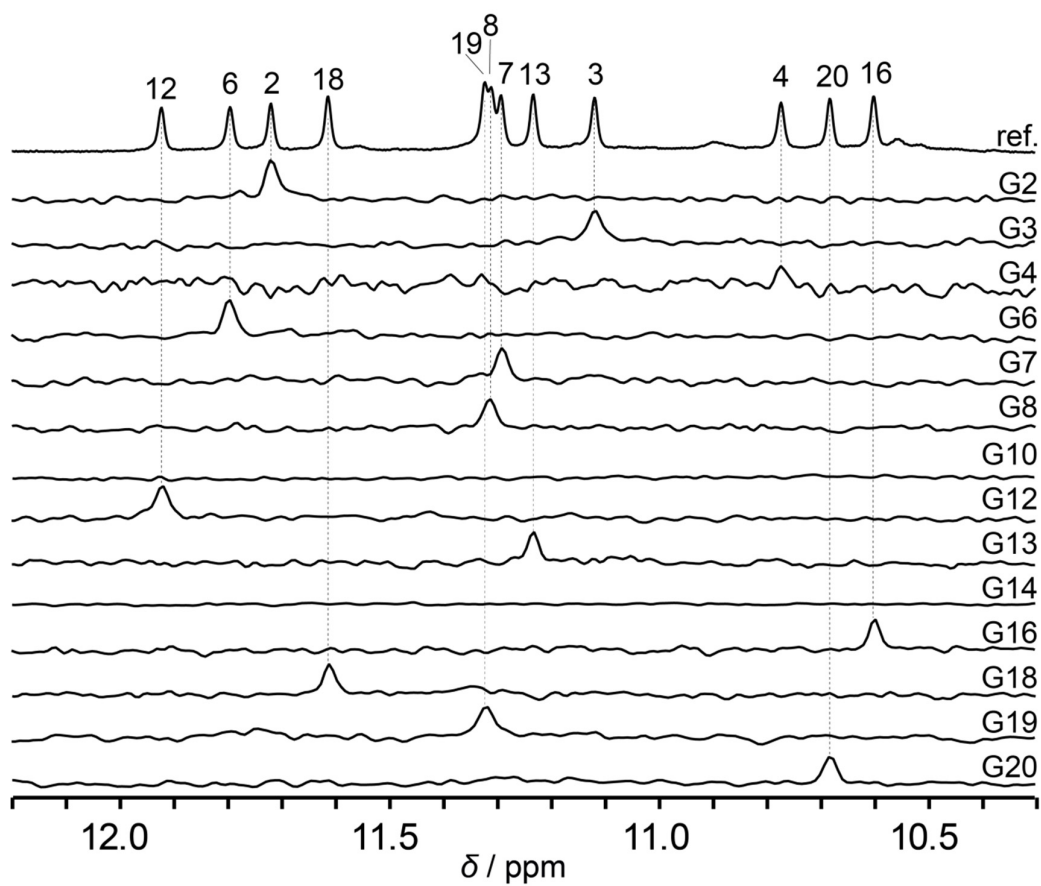
**Figure S2.** Full 1D  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of RAN1 and RAN1\* in the presence of 50 mM KCl, 10 mM potassium phosphate buffer, 0.6 mM DNA concentration per strand, pH 7.0 and 25 °C on a 600 MHz NMR spectrometer.



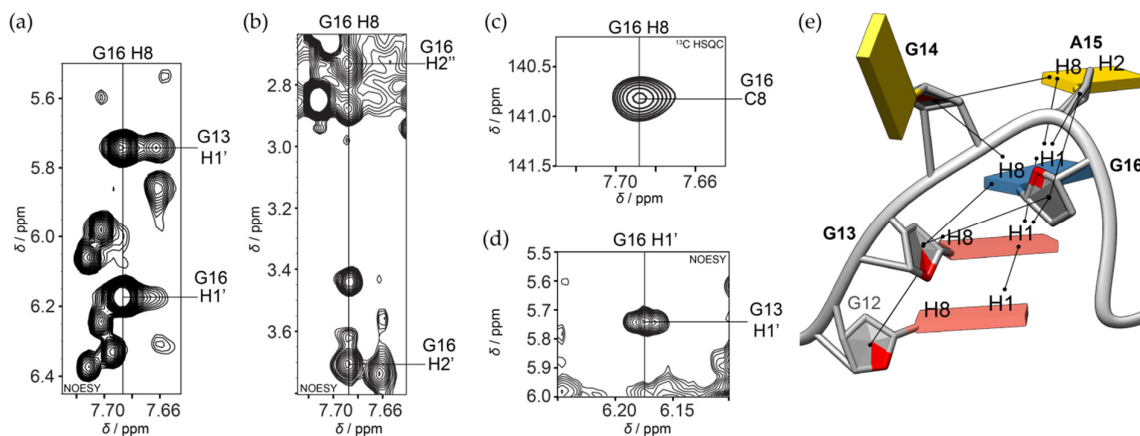
**Figure S3.** The aromatic-sugar H2'/H2'' region of NOESY spectrum ( $\tau_m = 200$  ms) of RAN1 (A) and RAN1\* (B). Representative signal of unfolded species is marked with \*. NOE signals distinctive of RAN1\* structure are boxed with red. Signals of T17 that appear after the A17-to-T17 modification are boxed with green.



**Figure S4.** Schematic presentation of a G-quadruplex topology with all three possible loop types: propeller, diagonal, and lateral (sometimes also referred as edge-wise). Propeller-type loop connects two guanines from the top and the bottom G-quartet from adjacent G-strands in parallel orientation. Diagonal loop joins opposite anti-parallel G-strands by connecting two guanines from the same G-quartet. Similarly, lateral loop connects two guanines from the same G-quartet, however, linking adjacent anti-parallel G-strands. Guanines are shown as white rectangles, while loops are coloured grey. The 5'-guanine is marked by a black dot.

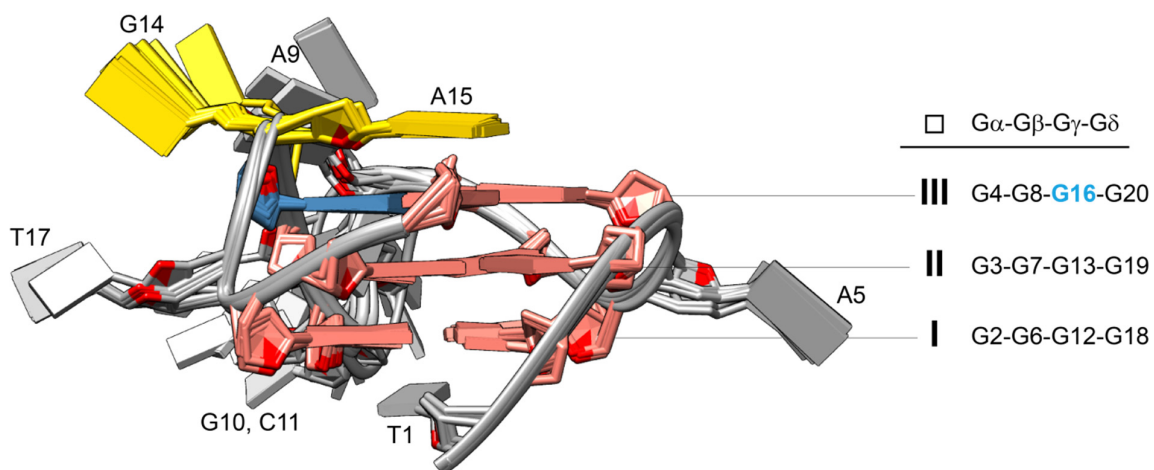


**Figure S5.** Unambiguous assignment of imino proton resonances of RAN1\* was achieved by recording 1D <sup>15</sup>N-edited HSQC spectra on partially 6% residue-specific <sup>15</sup>N/<sup>13</sup>C-labeled oligonucleotides of RAN1\*. Imino region of 1D <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of RAN1\* (ref.) and assignment of imino resonances are shown on top. Spectra were recorded on Agilent DD2 600 MHz spectrometer at 25 °C in 90% H<sub>2</sub>O, 10% <sup>2</sup>H<sub>2</sub>O, 50 mM KCl, 10 mM potassium phosphate buffer with pH 7.0. Oligonucleotide concentrations were 0.6 mM.

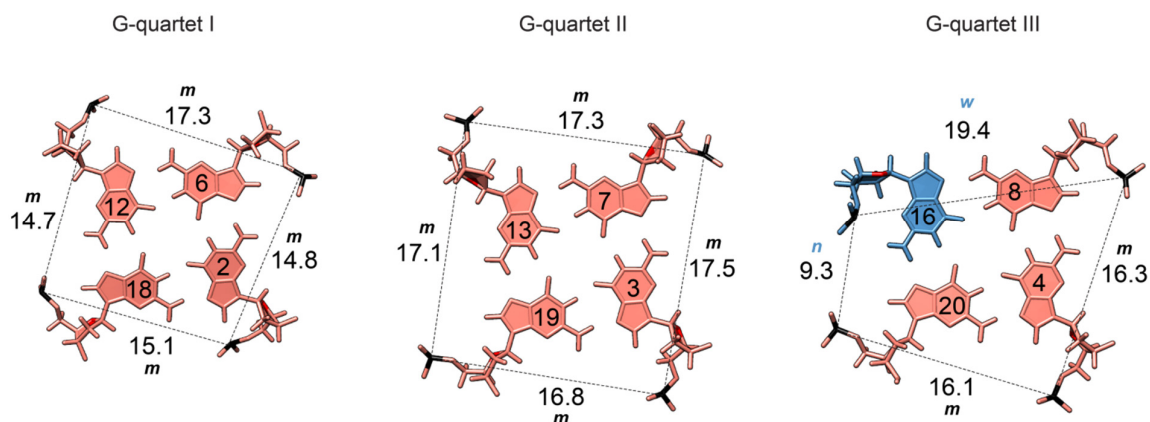


**Figure S6.** NMR observables that indicate *syn* glycosidic conformation of G16. (a) Section of aromatic-anomeric region of NOESY spectra of RAN1\* showing intensive intraresidual H8-H1' NOE contact of G16 and interresidual H8 G16 – H1' G13 NOE connectivity, respectively. (b) Aromatic-H2'/H2'' trace of G16 in NOESY spectra of RAN1\*. Downfield chemical shifts of H2' and H2'' corroborate *syn* glycosidic conformation. (c) Aromatic part of 2D <sup>13</sup>C-HSQC NMR spectra showing C8-H8 cross-peak of G16. Chemical shift of carbon C8 over 140 ppm is typical for residues in *syn* glycosidic conformation. (d) Intense NOE cross-peak between H1' atoms of G13 and G16. (e) Schematic representation of NOE contacts between G16 and surrounding residues G13, G14, and A15.





**Figure S7.** Ten lowest-energy structures of RAN1\*. Guanines that participate in G-quartets and are in *anti* glycosidic conformation are colored salmon, while guanine G16 that resides in *syn* conformation is blue. Detailed arrangement of guanines within G-quartets is elaborated on the right. Residues G14 and A15, constituting the bulge, are colored yellow. Other loop residues and backbone are grey. O4' atoms are red.



**Figure S8.** Groove dimensions (Å) in RAN1\*. Residues with *anti* and *syn* glycosidic conformations are colored salmon and light blue, respectively. P atoms are colored black. P-P distances between pairs of guanines were measured in UCSF Chimera Software (Pettersen *et al.*, *J. Comput. Chem.* **2004**, 25 (13), 1605-1612) and are depicted with black dashed lines. Labels *m*, *w*, and *n* stand for medium, wide, and narrow grooves, respectively.